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REMARKS

Both of the presently submitted references, i.e., Cite Nos. F1 and F2 listed on Form PTO/SB/08A, are not in English.

Concise Explanation of Relevance/Copy of Translation
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3)

A concise explanation of the relevance of each of Cite Nos. F1 and F2 is incorporated into the specification in the present application at paragraphs [0003] and [0004].



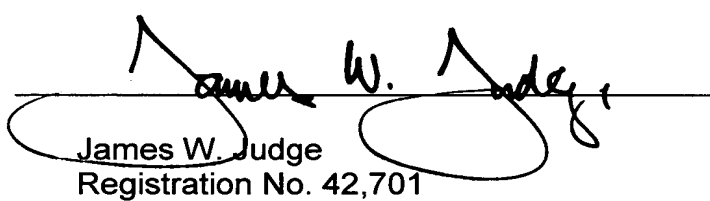
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Furthermore, English abstracts of the presently submitted references are available on the Japanese Patent Office website through Patent Abstracts of Japan (PAJ), and a copy of the corresponding abstract is attached to the back of each reference.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider these references, and to indicate so on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08A and make the document of record in the present application.

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